Bullock Moffett Morris Carney Chadick Parrish **Phillips** Cousins Proffer Crawford Stewart Hardeman Strauss Harris Hazlewood Taylor Tynan Vick Jones Kelly of Tarrant Weinert Knight York Lane

Nays-2

Ramsey

Stanford

Absent

Winfield

Absent—Excused

Kelley of Hidalgo Mauritz

House Concurrent Resolution 35

On motion of Senator Ramsey, and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration at this

H. C. R. No. 35, Granting each House permission to adjourn from Thursday, February 20, 1947, until Monday, February 24, 1947.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Record of Votes

Senators Phillips, Kelly of Tarrant and Strauss asked to be recorded as voting "nay" on the adoption of the resolution.

Bills and Resolution Signed

The President signed in the presence of the Senate, after giving due notice thereof, the following enrolled bills and resolution:

- S. B. No. 106, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an emergency appropriation for the Texas National Guard Armory Board for the balance and Strauss asked to be recorded as of the fiscal year beginning the 15th day of February, 1947, and ending journ. August 31, 1947, being an appropriation available immediately, and declaring an emergency."
- S. B. No. 155, A bill to be entitled "An Act appropriating moneys out of the General Revenue Fund, not otherwise appropriated, to the Veterans' State Service Office for the purwas called to order by the President.

pose or supplementing the appropriation and increasing the personnel made by Senate Bill No. 317, Acts of the Regular Session of the Fortyninth Legislature, for the term be-ginning with the effective date of this Act and ending August 32, 1947; and declaring an emergency."

- S. B. No. 23, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating the consolidation of certain common and independent school districts where a majority of the qualified voters of each of the affected districts approved such consolidation at an election held for such purpose; validating the bonds of such consolidated districts and the proceedings had authorized same after such attempted consolidation; providing such validation shall not apply to districts now in litigation; repealing all laws in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency."
- H. B. No. 231, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1970-138, being the Acts of 1917, Ch. 93, Sec. 11, as amended by the Acts of 1918, 4th C. S., Ch. 14, Sec. 4, as amended by the Acts of 1927, Ch. 191, Sec. 1, so as to provide that the salary of the Judge of the County Court at Law of El Paso County shall be Fifty-five Hundred Dollars (\$5,500.00) annual-
- H. C. R. No. 8, Memoralizing the Congress of the United States to enact legislation relative to claims of Americans who were internees or prisoners of war of Japan or Germany.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Vick, the Senate, at 12:30 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10:30 o'clock a. m., Monday, February 24, 1947.

Record of Votes

voting "nay" on the motion to ad-

TWENTY-THIRD DAY

(Monday, February 24, 1947)

The roll was called and the following Senators were present:

Moffett Aikin Morris Brown Bullock Parrish **Phillips** Carney Chadick Proffer Cousins Ramsey Stanford Crawford Strauss Hardeman Taylor Harris Tynan Hazlewood Vick Jones Weinert Kelley of Hidalgo Kelly of Tarrant Winfield York Knight Lane

A quorum was announced present.

Reverend J. E. Chester, Chaplain, offered the invocation.

On motion of Senator Hardeman, and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of Thursday, February 20, 1947, was dispensed with and the Journal approved.

Leave of Absence Granted

Senator Stewart was granted leave of absence for today on account of illness on motion of Senator Chadick.

Senate Resolution 37

(Address by Hon. Penrose Metcalfe)

Senator Hardeman offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Honorable Penrose B. Metcalfe of San Angelo, a former member of this body, is a visitor in the City of Austin; now therefore 40th Leg., First Called Session, page

Resolved, That Mr. Metcalfe be invited to address the Senate and be extended the privileges of the floor

The resolution was read and was adopted.

In accordance with the provisions of the above resolution the President appointed Senators Hardeman, Kelley of Hidalgo and Jones as a committee to escort Senator Metcalfe to the President's rostrum.

The President presented Senator Hardeman who then presented Senator Metcalfe to the Senate.

Senator Metcalfe addressed the Senate briefly.

Senate Bills on First Reading

The following bills were introduced. read severally first time, and referred to the committees indicated:

By Senator Knight:

S. B. No. 265, A bill to be entitled "An Act ratifying, confirming and validating certain bond election proceedings of certain school districts, cities and towns which have assumed control of their public schools and public free school corporations and election proceedings authorizing the levy of taxes not to exceed certain specified amounts and the taxes authorized at such elections; authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of bonds voted at such elections and the levy, assessment and collection of taxes to the amount voted, within certain limits, for the payment of such bonds; prescribing the terms and conditions upon which such taxes may be levied; limiting defenses which can be offered against the validity of such bonds after same have been sold and the proceeds of sale have been received; providing that the provisions of this act shall prevail over conflicting provisions of other acts and statutes, but making the provisions hereof, in all other respects, cumulative of existing powers; reciting a saving clause; and declaring an emergency."

To Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

By Senator Kelley of Hidalgo:

S. B. No. 266, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 125 of Chapter 25 of Acts, 1925, 39th Leg., page 122, as amended by Acts, 1927, 496, Chapter 107, Section 18; and by Acts, 1929, 41st Leg., page 578, Chapter 280; and by Acts, 1933, 43rd Leg., page 564, Chapter 184, by adding thereto subdivision (4), so as to provide that it shall not be prerequisite to the sale by a water control and improvement district of land bid in by it at sales under foreclosure of its tax lien, or lien for charges or assessments, that said district formally find that such land is not reasonably required to carry out the plans of the district, or that it give any notice of its intent to sell the same, or that proceeds of such sale be applied as provided by subdivisions (1), (2), or (3), of said section; validating certain sales made by water improve-

ment districts and water control and of limiting the production, transporimprovement districts; and declaring an emergency."

To Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

By Senator Kelley of Hidalgo:

S. B. No. 267, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it unlawful to kill or attempt to kill deer, or wild quail or trap or molest same in Duval County for a period of five (5) years; providing a penalty; repealing all conflicting laws; and declaring an emer-

To Committee on Game and Fish.

By Senator Jones:

S. B. No. 268, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that it shall be lawful to kill quail in Fannin County only on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday of each week after the 1st day of December, 1947, and continuing until and including the 16th day of January, 1948, and during the same time for each year thereafter on the same days of the week; providing the number of quail that can be killed on any one day; defining the violation of this Act and providing the penalties therefor; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict; and declaring an emergency."

To Committee on Game and Fish.

By Senator Ramsey:

S. B. No. 269, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending the anti-trust laws of the State of Texas by amending Article 1634 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas by adding subdivision 3 to provide that among other acts constituting a conspiracy in restraint of trade where any two or more persons, firms, corporations, or associations of persons shall agree to boycott, or enter into any agreement or understanding to refuse to transport, deliver, erect, assemble, use or work with any goods, wares, merchandise, article or product of any other person, firm, corporation or association of persons; by amending Article 1644 of the Penal Code so as to provide that the foregoing Article (1943) shall not be held to apply to any combination or combinations, or to any act by any member of such trades union or other organization or association or any other person, or to an agreement between two or more persons, formed or taken for the purpose of the colored people of this State in

tation, use, or consumption of labor's products; and declaring an emergency."

To Committee on Labor. Senate Resolution 38

(Providing for Local and Uncontested Bill Calendar)

Senator Chadick offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the Senate of Texas that at such times as the Senate may direct there shall be prepared local and uncontested calendars, which calendars shall be prepared by a committee of three appointed by the Lieutenant Governor.

No bills or resolutions shall be placed on such calendar which contain appropriations or create new departments or subdivisions of departments, except purely local bills where the expenditure is not from State funds.

No bills or resolutions which the committee feels might create a controversy shall be placed on such calendar. Any bill or resolution on such calendar shall not be considered if as many as three members present object to such consideration.

The calendar shall be placed on the desk of the members at least six hours before any such session. The committee may name a time after which applications for a place on the calendar may not be made.

The committee shall not consider any bills unless a printed copy of such bill or the bill itself is presented to the committee.

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Chadick, and by unanimous consent, the resolution was considered immediately and was adopted.

Senate Bill 140 on Passage to Engrossment

The President laid before the Senate, as a special order for this hour, on its passage to engrossment (the bill having been read second time on Thursday, February 20, 1947, and at that time set as a special order for this hour):

S. B. No. 140, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the establishment, support, maintenance, and direction of a University of the first class for the instruction and training

all courses of instruction taught at The University of Texas and its branches to be known as "The Texas State University for Negroes" and to be located at Houston, Harris County; and providing for an Agricultural and Mechanical College for colored students to be known as "The Prairie View Agricultural and Mechanical College" as same is now located at Prairie View, Waller County; making an appropriation; and declaring an emergency."

With committee amendments by Senator Stewart, striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the contents of a new bill, pending.

(President pro tempore in the chair.)

The committee amendments were severally adopted.

Senate Bill 140 was then passed to engrossment.

Senate Bill 140 on Third Reading

Senator Moffett moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that S. B. No. 140 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the follow-

ing vote:

Yeas—25

Moffett
Morris
Parrish
Phillips
Proffer
Stanford
Strauss
Tynan
Vick
Weinert
Winfield
York

Nays—2

Carney

Ramsey

Absent

Jones

Taylor

Absent-Excused

Mauritz

Stewart

The President pro tempore then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas-26

Aikin	Moffett
Brown	Morris
Bullock	Parrish
Chadick	Phillips
Cousins	Proffer
Crawford	Stanford
Hardeman	Strauss
Harris	Taylor
Hazlewood	Tynan
Kelley of Hidalgo	Vick
Kelly of Tarrant	Weinert
Knight	Winfield
Lane	York

Nays—2

Carney

Ramsey

Absent

Jones

Absent—Excused

Mauritz

Stewart

(President in the Chair.)

Senate Joint Resolution 3 Recommitted

On motion of Senator Strauss, and by unanimous consent, S. J. R. No. 3 was recommitted to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Message from the House

Hall of the House of Representatives Austin, Texas, February 24, 1947.

Hon. Allan Shivers, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills and resolutions:

- H. C. R. No. 24, To grant H. E. Franks permission to sue the State.
- H. C. R. No. 28, Granting A. E. Hervey permission to sue the State.
- H. B. No. 46, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 7 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas by adding a new article between Article 2116e and Article 2117 to be designated Article 2116f, providing for the pay of jury commissioners in the district and county courts, and declaring an emergency."
- H. B. No. 121, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that any independent school district in this State, whether created by general or spe-

cial law or laws, having a limitation upon the tax rate that may be levied and collected in any one year for maintenance purposes and for obtaining funds for the purchase of constructing, remodeling, equipping and repairing public school buildings which is less than One and 50/100 (\$1.50) Dollars on the One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars valuation of taxable property subject to taxation in said district, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 109, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Subsection 102 of Article 199 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended by Chapter 16, Acts of the Thirty-ninth (39th) Legislature, Regular Session, as amended by Chapter 253, Acts of the Forty-third (43rd) Legislature, Regular Session, as amended by Chapter 103, Special (43rd) Laws of the Forty-third Legislature, Regular Session, as amended by Chapter 158, Acts of the Legislature, Forty-fourth (44th) Regular Session, as amended by Chapter 141, Acts of the Forty-fifth (45th) Legislature, Regular Session, providing for the time of holding the terms of court of the District Court of the 102nd Judicial District of Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 268, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an emergency appropriation to the Attorney General for court costs, supplies, clerical expense, and employment of additional assistants and stenographers for the purpose of preparing, investigating and prosecuting suits for recovery of delinquent corporation franchise taxes and forfeiture of charters as provided in Article 7095, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 117, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating, ratifying, approving and confirming certain proceedings and bonds heretofore had or authorized by cities; providing that this Act shall not apply to any proceedings or bonds the validity of which has been centested in any pending suit or litigation and de-

and the Board of Directors of the Sealy & Smith Foundation for the John Sealy Hospital jointly to pledge the income from the trust fund of \$700,000.00, established by Chapter grounds for public schools, and for 4, Acts, First Called Session, 39th Legislature, for the purpose of constructing permanent improvements in connection with the John Sealy Hospital or with the Medical Branch of the University of Texas at Galveston, etc., and declaring an emergency."

> H. B. No. 125, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the operation of vending stands on State property by blind persons so as to enlarge the economic opportunities of the blind; authorizing the Commission to make surveys for the location of vending stands, etc., and declaring an emergency."

> H. B. No. 293, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend subsection 4 of Section 3, Acts 1941, Forty-seventh Legislature, Chapter 173, as amended by Acts 1945, Forty-ninth Legislature, Chapter 41, extending reciprocal privileges to non-residents and citizens of foreign countries, etc., and declaring an emergency.

> H. B. No. 76, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 324 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1925, as amended by Chapter 23 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the 40th Legislature of Texas, as amended by H. B. No. 222, Chapter 254, Acts of the Regular Session of the 41st Legislature and as further amended by Chapter 137, Section 1, of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the 42nd Legislature, Acts of 1931, and as further amended by H. B. No. 335, Chapter 215, Acts of the Regular Session of the 47th Legislature of Texas, relating to the appointment of Assistant District Attorneys in any Judicial District in this State consisting of three (3) or more counties and in which there is situated a city of not less than thirty-nine thousand (39,-000) people nor more than forty-nine thousand (49,000) people, etc., and declaring an emergency.'

H. B. No. 254, A bill to be entitled pending suit or litigation and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 226, A bill to be entitled (Chapter 4, Forty-sixth Legislature, 1939, by adding a new Subsection to be known as Subsection (e), to Regents of the University of Texas

tor numbers for motor vehicles and serial numbers for trailers or semitrailers; providing for disposition of such fees; providing a saving clause: and repealing all laws or portions of laws in conflict herewith."

Respectfully submitted, CLARENCE JONES, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

House Bills and Resolutions on First Reading

The following bills and resolutions received from the House today were laid before the Senate, read first time, and referred to the committees in-

H. B. No. 125, to Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

H. B. No. 46, to Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 117, to Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 121, to Committee on Education.

H. B. No. 226, to Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 268, to Committee on Finance.

H. B. No. 76, to Committee on Judicial Districts.

H. B. No. 293, to Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

H. B. No. 254, to Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

H. B. No. 109, to Committee on Judicial Districts.

H. C. R. No. 24, to Committee on State Affairs

H. C. R. No. 28, to Committee on State Affairs.

Messages from the Governor

The following messages received from the Governor today, were laid before the Senate, read, and referred to the Committee on Nominations of the Governor:

> Austin, Texas, February 24, 1947.

To the Senate of the Fiftieth Legis-

I ask the advice, consent and confirmation of the Senate with respect to the following appointment:

To be Branch Pilot for Sabine Bar, Pass and Tributaries for a two year term to expire February 12, 1949:

Captain R. Gerald Johnson of Jefferson County.

Respectfully submitted, BEAUFORD H. JESTER,

Austin, Texas, February 24, 1947. To the Senate of the Fiftieth Legislature:

I ask the advice, consent and confirmation of the Senate with respect to the following appointment:

To be Branch Pilot for the Sabine Bar, Pass and Tributaries for a two year term to expire February 12, 1949:

Captain C. K. Luther of Jefferson County.

Respectfully submitted, BEAUFORD H. JESTER, Governor of Texas.

Senate Resolution 33

The President laid before the Senate for consideration at this time:

S. R. No. 33, Relative to the Reserve Officers' Association of the United States sponsoring National Security Week.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 12

On motion of Senator Parrish, and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration at this time:

S. C. R. No. 12, Extending welcome to Red Raiders from Texas Tech.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Senate Bill 45 on Second Reading

The President laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to engrossment:

S. B. No. 45, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 4726, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended by Chapter 62, page 96, Acts of the Forty-second Legislature; designating the purposes for which and the manner in which life insurance companies may secure, hold and convey real property; adding thereto subdivision 5 authorizing certain life insurance companies with prior approval of the Board of Insurance Commissioners, and subject to certain other limitations, to purchase or lease lands and to erect thereon or on any other lands lawfully acquired, apartments, tenements or other dwelling houses in groups designed for occupancy by more than twenty families Governor of Texas. and to furnish the personal property

for such housing projects and to acquire real property on which any such housing project has been or is to be constructed; designating such properties located within this State as "Texas securities"; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Senator York offered the following committee amendment to the bill:

Amend S. B. No. 45 by striking out the following words and figures "in any city have a population of 50,000 or more, or within 15 miles of the city limits thereof," beginning after the word "land" in the third line of subsection 5 on page 2 of the bill.

The amendment was adopted.

Senator York offered the following committee amendment to the bill:

Amend S. B. No. 45 by striking out the word "also" appearing in the first line of page 3 of the bill and inserting in lieu thereof the word "only".

The amendment was adopted.

Senator York offered the following committee amendment to the bill:

Amend S. B. No. 45 by striking out the words "ten per centum" on line eight, page three and insert in lieu thereof the words "five per centum."

Yeas and nays were demanded and the amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas-19

Aikin	Lane
Brown	Moffett
Bullock	Parrish
Carney	Phillips
Chadick	Proffer
Cousins	Strauss
Hazlewood	Taylor
Jones	Weinert
Kelley of Hidalgo	York
Knight	

Nays-9

Crawford	Stanford
Hardeman	Tynan
Kelly of Tarrant	Vick
Morris	Winfield
Ramsev	

Absent

Harris

Absent—Excused

Mauritz Stewart

Senator Hardeman offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend S. B. No. 45 by striking out the word "assets" in Sec. 1, par. 5, on page 3 of mimeographed bill and insert in lieu thereof the word "surplus".

Senator York moved to table the amendment.

Yeas and nays were demanded and the motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas-12

Carney	Parrish
Harris	Phillips
Hazlewood	Ramsey
Kelley of Hidalgo	Strauss
Knight	Weinert
Moffett	York

Nays—17

Aikin	Lane
Brown	Morris
Bullock	Proffer
Chadick	Stanford
Cousins	Taylor
Crawford	Tynan
Hardeman	Vick
Jones	Winfield
Kelly of Tarrant	,,

Absent—Excused

Mauritz Stewart

Question recurring on the amendment, it was adopted.

Senator Taylor offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend S. B. 45 by adding a new section to be designated Sec. 1a to read as follows:

The authority granted by this Act to the Texas Board of Insurance Commissioners shall be exercised within 3 years of the passage of this Act and shall cease at the end of said period and be of no force and effect. And thereafter within 20 years companies acquiring property under the terms of this Act shall divest themselves of all property so acquired by permission of the Commission.

Yeas and nays were demanded and the amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas-17

Aikin	Crawford
Bullock	Hardeman
Chadick	Harris
Cousins	Jones

Kelly of Tarrant Taylor
Moffett Tynan
Morris Vick
Proffer Winfield
Stanford

Nays-10

Brown
Carney
Kelley of Hidalgo
Knight
Lane
Phillips
Ramsey
Strauss
Weinert
York

Absent

Hazlewood Parrish

Absent—Excused

Mauritz Stewart

Senate Bill No. 45 was passed to engrossment.

, Senate Bill 45 on Third Reading

Senator York moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that S. B. No. 45 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—27

Aikin Lane Brown Moffett Morris Bullock Parrish Carney Chadick **Phillips** Cousins Proffer Crawford Ramsey Hardeman Strauss Harris Taylor Hazlewood Tynan Jones Weinert Kelley of Hidalgo Winfield Kelly of Tarrant York Knight

Nays-2

Stanford Vick

Absent—Excused

Mauritz Stewart

The President then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas-19

Aikin Carney Brown Chadick Cousins Phillips
Harris Proffer
Hazlewood Ramsey
Jones Strauss
Kelley of Hidalgo
Knight Weinert
Lane York

Nays-9

Bullock Stanford
Crawford Tynan
Hardeman Vick
Kelly of Tarrant Winfield
Morris

Absent

Parrish

Absent—Excused

Mauritz

Stewart

Reports of Standing Committees

By unanimous consent, the following committee reports were submitted at this time:

Senator Moffett submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas. February 20, 1947.

Hon. Allan Shivers, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 121, instructs me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

MOFFETT, Chairman.

Austin, Texas. February 20, 1947.

Hon. Allan Shivers, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 211, instructs me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be mimeographed and not be otherwise printed.

MOFFETT, Chairman.

Austin, Texas. February 20, 1947.

Hon. Allan Shivers, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 224, instructs me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass as amended and be mimeographed and not otherwise printed.

MOFFETT, Chairman.

Senator Carney submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas. February 24, 1947.

Hon. Allan Shivers, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Game and Fish, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 267, have had same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

CARNEY, Chairman.

Austin, Texas. February 24, 1947.

Hon. Allan Shivers, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Game and Fish, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 244, have had same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

CARNEY, Chairman.

Motion to Take Up Senate Bill 191

Senator Kelley of Hidalgo asked unanimous consent to take up Senate Bill 191 for consideration at this

The President announced that there was objection.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Vick, the Senate, at 12:00 o'clock m., adjourned until 10:30 o'clock a. m., tomorrow.

TWENTY-FOURTH DAY

(Tuesday, February 25, 1947)

The Senate met at 10:30 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present:

Aikin Hardeman
Brown Harris
Bullock Hazlewood
Carney Jones
Chadick Kelley of Hidalgo
Cousins Kelly of Tarrant
Crawford Knight

Lane Stanford
Moffett Strauss
Morris Tynan
Parrish Vick
Phillips Winfield
Proffer York
Ramsey

A quorum was announced present.

Reverend J. E. Chester, Chaplain, offered the invocation.

On motion of Senator Hardeman, and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of proceedings of yesterday was dispensed with and the Journal approved.

Leaves of Absence Granted

Senator Taylor was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Senator Chadick.

Senator Weinert was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Senator Hardeman.

Senator Stewart was granted leave of absence for today on account of illness on motion of Senator Phillips.

Reports of Standing Committees

Senator Carney submitted the following report:

Austin, Texas, February 25, 1947.

Hon. Allan Shivers, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Game and Fish, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 259, have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

CARNEY, Chairman.

Senator Aikin submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas, February 25, 1947.

Hon. Allan Shivers, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 242, instructs me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be mimegraphed.

AIKIN, Vice-Chairman.